Maps of Greece, Epirus and Macedonia from the Times of Homer to the 6th Century AD

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Map 4

Map of the Roman provinces of Macedonia, Achaia, and Crete and Cyrenaica
1st century BC
Source : various sources

ACHAIA et EPIRUS
CRETA et CYRENAICA
MACEDONIA

This map shows the Roman provinces of Macedonia, Achaia, and Crete and Cyrenaica, during the 1st century BC, according to various sources.

In 168 BC, the Romans (Romani) created the province of Macedonia after they defeated Perseus King of the Macedonians (Macedones).

The Romans used to call Hellas as Greece (Graecia) and the Hellenes as the Greeks (Graeci). Sometimes, the Romans used to consider the Epirots (Epirotae) as part of the Greeks. In 146 BC, the Romans created the province of Achaia after they defeated the Achaeans (Achaei), who were the most powerful Hellenic people at that time. The province of Achaia consisted of Greece/Hellas and Epirus, although Epirus was not originally part of Greece.

In 66 BC, the Romans created the province of Crete (Creta) to which they also joined Cyrenaica. That is why this province was known as the province of Crete and Cyrenaica (Creta et Cyrenaica).

These three provinces were governed by a proconsul or a propraetor each. The old peoples that lived in these provinces retained their own names, laws and governments.

Selective Latin-English Index

All names on the maps are in Latin. This index shows the corresponding English forms of the most frequent names.

Achaei = Achaeans
Aetoli = Aetolians
Arcades = Arcadians
Athenae = Athens
Athenienses = Athenians
Boeoti = Boeotians
Caria = Caria
Cares = Carians
Dardi = Dardanes
Dorienses = Dorians
Elei = Eleans
Epirotae = Epirots
Euboenses = Euboeans
Graeci = Hellenes, Greeks
Graecia = Hellas, Greece
Hellas = Hellas, Greece
Hellenes = Hellenes, Greeks
Ionies, Ionies = Ionians
Illyrii = Illyrians
Insulae = Islands
Lacedaemonii = Lacedaemonians
Lacones = Laconians
Locri = Locrians
Macedones = Macedonians
Macedonia = Macedonia
Molossi = Molossians
Paeones = Paeonians
Pelagi = Pelasgians
Phocenses = Phocaeans
Romani = Romans
Thessali = Thessalians
Thraces = Thracians
Troes = Trojans
Troia = Troy

Common Legend For All Maps

Lands :

GRAECIA	1st level land
Thessalia	2nd level land = part of 1st level land
[Hestiaeotis]	3rd level land = part of 2nd level land
ACHAIA	province (type of 1st level lands)
	= division of the Roman Empire
Pindus	mountain
Rhodus	island
Athenae	town, village or port

Waters :

Axius	river, marsh, lake or sea

Peoples :

GRAECI	1st level people
Aetoli	2nd level people = part of 1st level people
[Eurytanes]	3rd level people = part of 2nd level people
———	borders between peoples / borders between lands
.....	maritime borders of Roman provinces